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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1891.

" THE DEPRESSION.".

Our excellent and respected friend Dr. W.Doberce, Government Astronomer, frequently reports during the Typhoon season the existence of "depressions" in various parts of the Pacific Ocean and the China Sea, sometimes near Hongkong and sometimes much farther afield, which, albeit of considerable interest, generally prove of a transitory nature; but somehow or other, with all his skill and acumen, his intimacy with the heavenly bodies-and he knows Latin and the use of the globes -, the learned Doctor never tells us anything about the apparently permanent "depression" from which this colony has been suffering for months past, which has wrought such sad havoc amongst the brilliant members of the once high-toned litte of our TER, SCOTCH, ASSORTED TOFFEES, distinguished upper circles, and which is still so acutely felt by the working populace, the back-bone of Hongkong, in levery branch of business. Our worthy colleague in the cause of truth and scientific research might have predicted something regarding this commercial volcano, but possibly he had scruples about offending the tender susceptibilities of the knock-knee'd mummy who apes guiding and instructing public opinion PINE. APRICOT, CHERRY, LIME, through the medium of a certain locally subsidised "rag" that plays the fool disguised as a newspaper. But, no matter !

> Will Keswick's Share Bill, as confidently predicted by the abject worshippers at the feet of that great and goodly man, knock the bottom out of it, or is that paleozoic monument of Hongkong modern legislation likely to have a contrary effect and "knock out"-to use the elegant phraseology of the defunct Prize Ringthe shattered relics of the few remaining leading lights of Hongkong society who for years past have been living on their wits and on other 'people's money—the money of easily gulled dupes? A glance at our Share List in this issue, and a comparison of the figures there set out with the quotations of twelve months ago, will tell a tale hands. It would seem, however, that the to the intelligent student that cannot but prove instructive, and must inevitably convince the most sceptical of prophetic cargoes, and came to a hasty conclusion that optimists that Hongkong is passing through the threes of a financial and business crisis—which was foreseen by only a few keen observers and the final results of which are even now beyond the limits of defendant was able to get off on the plea the reliable calculation—without parallel in the commercial history of this, to quote Sir for themselves. New brooms sweep clean. Gronds Bowss, "the third greatest shipping emporium in the world." is all this to end, and where? We are sadly afraid that Hongkong, in the expressive language of the Far West, is a "busted flush."

What concerns the Hongkong Telegraph

TELEGRAMS.

A PEACE CONGRESS. LONDON, November 4th.

A Peace Congress, comprising 200 members European Parliaments, has assembled Rome to advocate the settlement by arbitration of national disputes.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE great "Ricksha" question must stand ove until to-morrow.

THE Committee of the City Club announce a smoking concert for to-morrow night.

He-Will you marry me? I have a bachelor uncle who is worth a million. She-No; but you might introduce me to your uncle.

Blinks-Hear the news? Brown's just com- (left), Pie, McKay (centre). mitted suicide. Chinks-Dam scoundrel. Owed me five hundred cold cask.

Missionery-Will you be my-Giddy Girl-No, I thank you, Sirl Shark business continues as dead as the late Cleopatra.

WE hear that the occupants of bours in the wicinity of Windsor House, the Telegraph Company's office, Connaught House, etc. are preparing a petition to the meeting of Licensing Justices on Thursday next against the granting of a licence for the Commercial, Hotel which it is proposed to establish in the block of buildings now occupied by Lock Hing and others near the Canadian Pacific Co.'s offices.

WE have been requested to state that a Farewell concert and entertainment will be given by the Band and Lorne Athletic Club of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on Wednesday the 25th instant, (an nivertisement of which will duly appear). The proceeds will be devoted to the Garrison Female Hospital and Soldiers' and Sailors' Institutes at Hongkong and Kowloon.

Wife of author-It's very plain, William, why your contributions to the Moon have all been returned.

Author (eagerly)—Why is it? Wife-Becsuse you've always inclosed stamps, Haven't you read the notice on the editorial page which says that no MSS, are returned unless stamps are inclosed?

A SPECIAL meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon, when there were present the Chairman (Mr. Stewart Lockhart), Dr. Ayres, Mr. Cooper, and Mr. Humphreys, "It was resolved that the report of the Committee appointed to consider the Common Lodging House byclaws be adopted and forwarded to the Government. The only alteration suggested was that the byelaws be put into operation in August, 1892, instead of 1801. This concluded the business of the meeting.

LORD SALISBURY is quite a distinguished savant as well as a renowned statesman. In a recent lecture before the Chemical Society of London, he said: "Astronomy is," in a great measure, the science of things as they probably are, geology is the science of things as they probably were, chemistry is the science of things as they are at present." To these, adds the Electrical Engineer, "electricity is the science of things as they probably will be." And we might add "Government is the science of things as they ought not to be."

A gentleman appeared before the clerk of the Jersey Game Protective Society the other day and asked for a gunner's licence.

"Name, please," asked the clerk.

"Benjamin Harrison," was the reply.

"The address ?" "Washington, D.C.".

"The President ?" inquired the clerk. "The same," answered the applicant, as

paid his \$5, folded the paper and put it in his

THE speedy Calcutta liner Lightning (Capt. G. B. Pallet) which had the misfortune to take the ground in the vicinity of the Sulphur Channel has, we regret to hear, sustained considerable

AT the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on Monday next, at 3 p.m., the business will

Financial Minutes. Report of the Finance Committee. No. 12 of 1801 Resolution.

Questions. ORDERS OF THE DAY. Second reading of the Appropriation Bill, 1892 . Committee on the Bill entitled "The Merchant

Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1891."

IT is not unusual among Chinaman employed in godowns to take tolls of all the goods whose form of packing presents facilities for pilleringbags and bales of most kinds of merchandise generally lighten a bit on passing through their employees at the H.K. and K. godowns are not men of that sort. The police have noticed that they get possession, somehow, of samples of petty larcony was flourishing. They charged one of the Chinamen at the Magistracy to-day with stealing four sacks of a certain sea fungui used to make Celestial soup, and valued at \$41 a picul. The Godown Company did not make much effort to secure a conviction, and the

the material in his possession was got from

sweepings. Consignees will now buy brooms

Un blenfilt n'est famais perdu." We learn from a Swatow correspondent that Miss Black. of the E. P. Mission, Swatow, whose rescue from drowning at Double Island last September by Messrs. P. E. Milhe, of the Chinese Imperial Customs, and Mr. J. Williams, of Double Island, was duly reported in our columns, has presented each of these gentlemen with a very handsome fewel in appreciation of their gallant conduct on that occasion. The jewels are inscribed "In memory of the 17th September, 1891," with Chinese characters wishing Miss Black's preservers from an untimely death, wealth prosperity and long life. We would fain hope that long ere now the British Consul at Swatow has brought the brave action of Messrs Milhe and Williams, which resulted in saving a fellowcreature's life, under the consideration of the Royal Humano Society in London. If this has not been done, no time should be lost in making representations in the proper quarter,"

THE next game for the Football badges for the best Company team of the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders will take place at the Happy Valley on Saturday the 7th Instant, between "G" and "H" Companies. Kick off at 4.15 p.m. The following will be the teams :--

"G." Company-(Blue and White) - Pre. Montgomery (goal), Sergt. Lockhead and Pte. McGill (backs), Ptes, Watson, Coyne and Lee-Corpl. McMaster (half-backs), Ptes. Fairley and Keith (right), Piper McArthur and Pts: Mason

"H." Company-(Black, White and Red)-Pte. Milne (goal), Ptes, Brown and Jamleson (backs), Pics. Randalis, Dudgoon and Lco-Corpl. Dalgleish (bulf-backs), Ptes, Wilkle and Cromble (right). Pres. Kelly and O'Neil (left), Pre. Mindock (othtre).

Mrs. Jiggles-Oh, John, your new dog has killed the parret Jiggles-Noble brute! I'll buy him a new

A REGULAR meeting of the "Ararat" Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Tuesday, the 10th inst. at 8.40 for o p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

Broke-Say, let me have \$14. Soke-Why, you owe me \$:6 already-Broko-Ya-as, -Want to make it a clean \$50. (gets the money, too)

FROM the report of the steamship Halphong, which arrived in port this morning, we learn that H.M.S. Porpolse was at Foochow on the 3rd instant; presumably there owing to the of the Kolan society.

Foreigner-Ziy, tell me you haf nearly dree bundred tousand words in your langwich. How effer can you use so many? Attorney-at-law-We use all of 'em, my friend, every time we draw up an indictment.

THE British barque Nacoya, 591 tons register, (Capt. T. Norris) is now fully a fortnight overdue from Bangkok, but it is believed that to the recent setting in of the N. E monsoon may be attributed the difficulty which Captain Norris is experiencing in getting his strunch little craft into port.

THE members of the R. A. Sergeants' Mess give a smoking concert at the North Barracks to-night, commencing at 8.30 o'clock. An enjoyable evening may be confidently looked forward to. As the programme has been arranged by Mr. G. R. Lammert, talent will not be lacking.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Cricket match, to-morrow, commencing at 4.30 p.m.:-

WE commend the attention of all the members of the Legislative Council, including His Excellency the Acting Governor, but especially the Hon, the Colonial Treasurer, to the dastardly assault committed yesterday by two excise officers on a Chinese police constable, particulars from his employer to the doctor, when the barnacles, which accumulate on ships bottoms, of which will be found reported in another column. Is the Colonial Treasurer the Apostle of Truth, or is he a new edition of Ananias?

mis views on me status and supposed sights (and actual wrongs) of master mariners and officers of the British Merchant Service? Let us hope so—fair is fair.

THAT a man's wife-be she Chinese or a Tartar. or a Hindoo-cannot be made to pay debts when making this port last Tuesday morning, contracted by her "bubby," is just what was Impressed on the mind of the owner of the damage. Fifteen of the bottom plates amid- launch Fungfel, who caused A Loh, the wife of ships, under the boilers, are fractured and a cargo-boat lowdah, to make her salanm before the floors have been forced up in many Mr. Ackroyd in the Summary Court this morning, places. She was docked at Hungham yes- to show cause why she should not "for terday, and three weeks will probably felapse out " three Mexicans for towage. The good before the Dock Company are able to get | lady "stepped up", and facing the music with her out of hand. We have not yet been | considerable fortitude contended that the more able to ascertain what steamer, if any, will fact of the plaintiff "knowing her " better than most just now is when this most inconvenient be put on the run by the agents, Messrs. her lord and master was no reason why she and limpet-like depression is likely to dis- D. Sassoon, Sons & Co., in her place while laid | should be brought into the Hall of Equity; and that she never contracted the debt. Result Case dismissed, and the launch man is going to have cash in advance in future, and will " take it out " of old A Loh when he sees him later on.

A CORRESPONDENT writes :-

"Enclosed advertisement is from the London Daily Telegraph of Sept. 15th. Who has gone home from Hongkong? I am still here.

MacSqueezem [So are we.—Ed., H.K. Telegraph.]

Here is the little.ad.—

"Any Capacity, age 55; don't gamble, don't drink, don't smoke, don't work on Sunday, Address A Repentant Sinner, 103, Albion Road, Dalston,"

This is evidently the man wanted for the chairmanship of the Hongkong Chamber of

THE very strong opinion expressed in this ournal many months ago that searching passengers striving in this colony from Canton, Macao, and elsewhere, on the wharves or in the public streets, by the myrmidons of the Opium Farm, was illegal, has been conclusively upheld by Mr. A. G. Wise, police magistrate, Mr. Wise has declared that this practice is illegal and indefensible. The fault of this disgraceful breach of the law, extending over many months, must be attributed to the lackes of the Government rather than to the mistaken idea of privileges entertsined by the Opium Farmer, Years ago we advised every Chinese who was rudely seized and forcibly searched by some nondescript suffian on the Steamboat Co.'s wharf or in the street, to resist such indignity. and fight for all he was worth. We repeat that advice now. If any person is suspected of having oplum in his possession he can legally be taken to the Police Station and there searched: any attempt elsewhere is illegal and should be forcibly resisted.

A YOKOHAMA contemporary thus refers to the

Empress of China's recent voyage across the Pacifics—"The Empress of India (ric) reported as having put into Hakodate, being short of coal. This won't wash among the fold salts, for coming from a coal section does not start without sufficient fuel to provide for storms or mishaps. Undoubtedly she needed some repairs and called in to make them. -This. taken in conjunction with the fact that the vessel was put into dock on her strival at Hongkong, has led to the impression that the rough seas encountered between Vancouver and Japan must have done some serious damage to the ship. This idea is one of those which, if not at once taken up and set right, may lead to serious misapprehension. The Empress of China called at Hakodate for no other reason at all but simply to be on the safe side as regards coal The weather looked bad and it was doubtful if the coals would carry her right into Yokohama, so she put in to Hakodate. Had she gone right on to Yokohama her. coal would have lasted all right as it happened, for the weather cleared up. She docked here to scrape and paint only-she last docked in Liverpool in May and so needed painting. Nothing but usual ordinary repairs have been done here. The only damage forward, which was carried away. There is no

Gibbles-Why did you blackball Brown at the lockey Club? Seward-Because, deaw boy, the cad actually knew how to ride a horse !

ANOTHER Hongkong Telegraph manufaction lutches of the law. A chair-coolle belonging to this renowned establishment was despaiched shortly after twelve o'clock last night on what was possibly a mission of life or death to a popular local medico. Although armed with sufficient credentials of his Dona, fides, he never reached his destination, and the patient for whom medical aid was so urgently needed might have died in consequence. What happened? The innocent messenger was arrested by an energetic Sikh constable, who, with the aid of two other equally energetic members of the blick brigade, hauled him off to the Central Police Station, where he locked up all night, and this morning had to current rumours respecting a possible outbreak | face Mr. Wise in the Police Court on a charge of assaulting an officer in the discharge of his duty and of damaging his uniform to the extentof two dollars. Needless to say the stories of the opposing parties majorially differed. The Sikh warrior's yarn was that he saw defendant come out of an unoccupied bungalow on the Peak Road, and on challenging him, the Celestial started off at an even-time pace down the hill; but as the Indian is a "ped" of renown who can do several yards inside !! evans the can do it in lying, if not in flectness of the he overhauled his quarry, and then the fun commenced. Our Chinese coolie is about & ft. and weighs under 8st.; the Sikh is a stalwart person of 5ft. 8in., and probably would bring the scale down at something over 11st. And yet this hulking ruffish had the audacity to swear that. the Chinaman smashed him up generally, broke. his whistle-chain, smashed his lantern, and otherwise damaged both himself and uniform, and that he had to get the assistance of two other Sikh constables to take the Telegraph terror to the Police Station. One of the Sikhs was called; but his corroboration didn't amount to much, as in reply to the Magistrate, he said the prisoner was perfectly quiet and made no sort of resistance, which was doubtless true. Just here we would like to interpolate the observation that, if the new Indian regiment for Hongkong is composed of heroes of the type of the gentry above described -three hulking Sikhs, each one armed with Victoria, City of Rome, City of Paris and thick boots, a bludgeon and the authority of the | Majestic-are ordered out to the China Station law, against a feeble, bare-footed Chinese and are unavoldably detained out here as swift coolie -, why, it will perhaps be just as well, if | cruisers for say six or twelve months, it stands they stop where they are? Defendant's tale was to reason that sooner or later they will require simple and to the point. He was taking a letter to be docked in order that the sea-grass and policeman wanted to know where he was going may be removed and the vessel thus to. He handed the letter to the minlon of the be enabled to travel at top speed. Shall we law, and after some discussion, etc., etc., he was | dock these "levisthans" at the Cosmopolitan, assaulted by the Sikh, and, after that ignoble Aberdeen, or Kowloon Dock? No. we cannot, scion of the most famous of Oriental warriors had for the simple reason that those docks are not been reinforced by two kinsmen, he was borne long enough to receive such lengthy yessels. into captivity and kept there. "How much did Where, then, are they to be docked in the Far that lantern cost "? was his Worship's query | East? Nowhere! What is to be done? Send to Inspector Gauld, after Mr. Fraser-Smith had them home to be docked, or down to Australia. testified that the coolis was engaged in legitimate | and thereby render their services, for which they business and on a work of absolute organcy when | were specially constructed, valueless to the State responded the Inspector. "Defendant will have | emergency ?" Such is the prospect before us at to pay two dollars, the cost of the lantern," was the present time owing to the fact that we have the Magistrate's response. And then his Worship | built and subsidired the owners of magnificent courteously suggested that if coolies who were sent out late at night were armed with the customary. lantern and passport—degrading emblems of public flogging days-a lot of trouble might beavoided. Tust so ! and if police constables exercised a trifle of commonsense in their procedure. a great deal more trouble would be saved. In conclusion and by the way—our friends of the Argyle. and Sutherland Highlanders intend shortly to hold an Assault at Arms, or something in that direction. Now, a friendly meeting, say a fourround bout with the gloves, between the Telleeraph's Chinese light-weight and the beiligerent Sikh, would be alike a novelty and an attraction We are prepared—if it is not against the provi sions of Keswick's Share Bill and Mitchell-Innes! Opium Abortion-to plank down one hundred shekels of silver on our man, the winner to hand over the stake to the Alice Memorial Hospital, or any other deserving local charity. And we would further suggest that, considering the absolute non-existence, of serious crime in this colony, outside foreign (chiefly German) circles, the time has arrived when this degrading

THE LATEST OPIUM OUTRAGE

lantern and pass nonsense for Chinese should

be abolished. Why doesn't Dr. Ho Kai take

steps to remove such a crying anomaly, for

which in these days there is no necessity what-

At the Police Court yesterday, as reported in last night's Telegraph, Mr. A. G. Wise had to deal with two Indian excise officers; attached to the Oplum Farm for brutally assaulting a Chinese water-police constable named Ngan Ching on Tok Kee's wharf, under the pretence that they wanted to search" him for opium The constable was badly knocked about his injuries including a fractured rib, and he had been in hospital for two days. Worship found both the excisemen guilfy and sentenced the leading culprit, who rejoices in the name of Sunder Singh, to three weeks hard labour; his confederate, Mr. Muhumed Hee, getting off lightly with a fine of \$5, or the option

This morning Mr. H. L. Dennys, solicitor, appeared at the Magistracy, on behalf of Sunder Singh and applied that the sentence of imprisomment should be commuted to a fine. Dennys alleged that the assault on the Chinese constable was actually committed by Mahomed Bee, that the injuries sustained had been greatly exaggerated, and that it was the Chinaman's own fault that he was hurt at all as he had no bustness to resist the excise officers. He further contended that as Sunder Singh had been discharged from his employment by Opium Farmer, and that what he did although probably unjustifiable, was well injended and in the belief that he was only doing his duty, the sentence passed was a very severe one. He would not ask his. Worship to re-bear the case, but simply to alter the sentence to a fine.

Mr. Wise remarked that the evidence of Sunder-Singh himself showed clearly that he committed the assault; that to search persons in the street. according to the existing law was clearly illegal, and that it was illegal could not be too well known by the general public at the present juncture. The Chinese constable had expressed his willingness to go to the Pelice Station, which was the right thing todo, and he had been brutally assaulted, one of his ribs being fractured, and Dr. Ayres had certified that he had been confined in the Hospital for two days, Considering the whole of the circumstances and the nature of the assault, his Worship thought that three wocks hard labour was by no means too severe a sentence. That the Opium Farmer had discharged 8-nder Singh was only right and what was to be expected, as the man had grossly. what was to be expected, as the man had grossly to the commerce and people of the Great West, misbehaved himself. The application would be and her plucky efforts have been crowned with refused, and his Worship was not at all certain sustained through bad weather was a ventilator | that he had not arred on the side of leniency in not making the sentence three months. truth in the Yokohama papers report. At Mr. Dennys phenyed that after that expression was hempered with heavy war indemnities

HONGKONG HOUSE-BUILDING.

The inquest on the body of the Chinese girl killed by the fall of houses in Wellington Street on Sun ay last was concluded to-day.

The contractor who was engaged on the repairs which were the immediate cause of the collapse gave evidence in accordance with that of other wirnesses—that in course of repairing the back part of the house, some 500 or 600 bricks; were piled up on the second" floor, the back wall was taken down and in its place temporary supports of timber were put up under the floors, but un beams were

used to shore up the party wall which collapsed, The Coroner (Mr. Wise) in finding a verdict death from saphyxia," said "I have no doubt as to how the fall was caused, but I do not think the contractor's negligence, if it was negligence, was criminal. At the same time, he must be more exertal in fature. I think he has been very careless about the work, because there is no doubt in my mind that it was this piling of bricks on the second floor that caused the fall, and that he might have known it. I will say nothing by way of a rider to the verdict, as it is no good adding a vider unless you can do something with

it. Verdict-death from asphyxia," So nobody late be hanged!

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the coinloss expressed by Correspondents in this column).

ANOTHER NAVAL BUNGLE. To THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH." SIR.—Permit me, through the medium of your columns, to call attention to snother naval

oungle, or, shall I say, oversight. It is of course, well known that a large number of fast steamers, trans-Atlantic, Capo and Australian liners to wit, have been built in accordance with "Admiralty requirements" and that they are bound to run under the Admiralty flag whenever the Whitehall authorities require their services. All well and good so fer. But supposing we become entangled in the Far East at no very far distant date and some of the leviathans of the deep-such as the Etruria, run in" by the Sikh contingent. "Six shillings,". In the hour of need or in a time of great swift cruisers which we are unable to dock in ... our " Malta and Gibraltar of the East;" but that is only a trifle, of course.

I subjain the lengths of some of our best merchant : cruisers and the Admiralty Dock (Kowlcon), which are as follows:-

Admiralty Dock-length on blocks 518 - feet S.S. Majestle City of Paris . 5771 67 " . City of Rome

Birurla "Ordeon 4 New " Cunard " and 4 P. and O.

Yours faithfully,

OBSERVER. Hongkong, November 4th, 1891.

JOTTINGS ON SIAM

ITS POLITICAL COMMERCIAL AND SOCIAL

Though by no means a terra incognita, it is only of late years that Siam has come to the front, particularly so during the reign of the present ruler of the Kingdom, His Malesty Chulalongkern. It is, therefore, not surprising that there is ittle accumte information respecting the political, commercial and social affairs of the Land of the White Elephant, True, Mr. Henry Norman, of Pall Mall Gazette fame, has been there and written up (sky high, in fact) the country, but it must be borne in mind that Mr. Norman was the guest of the Government to all intents and purposes, and that he had his own little fish to fry-which he did, coming away from the "Venice of East" (as some extravagent winters dub Banglook) with a goldmining concession in his pocket. Then we had Lord Lamington there outensibly on a tigere hunting expedition, but in reality for the purpose of fitting himself, A la Randolph Churchill, to speak of the country from personal knowledge based upon observations while resident av d travelling about the hills and sunny vales of U 10 strange land. But the noble lord's story of Siam is more or less a false version of affi dra for he was up; by virtue of his connection, with the Government, and the 1000 of Lord High Inquisitor which he areu med in the House of Lords last summer and fi iled to lay bare many shocking shuses and plaultous institutions and laws which, if not swept away like chaff before the wind at an jessly date-and it is within the power of the Kling to make a clean sweep of such abuses and those who foster corruption, bigotry and infamy it i his dominions, as I shall show later on-will, thust inevitably, result in the word 8.f.a.m. being effsced from the map of Eastern Asia.

Hemmed in as Siam is by the possession; t of great and civilised Powers it is surprising that so little advance has been made on the roud towards the acquisition of true civilization. It have been said that siam is sacing with Japan! It is laise, for she is doing nothing of kind-cannot do so in fact, for she is hopelessly out of the race, if there ever was any competition between the two. nations. It may be alleged, and with reason, that Japan, like England; is favourably situated for the development of commerce and industries and coastwise trade, Just so, but have not the rulers of Japan been quick to appreciate the stern necessity for the abolition of feudalism. every species of slavery and berbarlty, the suppression of gambling and up-rooting of a system of poculation amongst the officials which rendered life and property as insecure in Japan as it now is in China ?- Japan saw that to become a Power sie most follow in the footsteps of those nations who, vi et armis, opened her doors grand success. Not so, with Siam, however, on whom treatles of commerce and smily were forced as far back as 1853. While Japan Giddy Girl—No, I thank you, Sirl

Missionary (human after all)—my small, I was and a constant matched and a ratting Hakodate she topk about a formula to the had nothing users to say, and and a depleted exchange, Siem was affine to any separate and did not do any separate gracefully spited.

She had, and sill had, and still had, and st

have been, willing to aid her by advice and otherwise in her tardy march on the road to much-needed progress and reform. It may be that the Japanese "rushed" things, owing to their knowledge that should they fail to keep pace with the times the day would come when their fair country would fall a prey to some powerfu nation—possibly Russia. How then is it that the Siamere have not been able to grasp the situation? Chiefly because they are imbued with the ridiculous notion that, so long as they have no foreign debt and have plenty to eat, drink, smoke, and betel-nut to chew, there is no reason why they should bestir themselves. The rains are plentiful there as a rule, the harvests bountiful, and the masses contented with their wretched lot because they know not of a better state. Why, then, say the old Conservative nobles and some anti-forcion princes, should we bestir numelyes? We have enough and to spare, why strive for more? The fact is that the two peoples-Japanese and Siamese-are different from one another as chalk is from cheese, save in personal ugliness, which is slightly in favour of the Japs. But what is the result of Slamese inertia and Japanese activity Just this: To-day, were Japan attacked by any of the Powers of the world she would with her well-disciplined and large Army and formidable Navy make a strut resistance and would, too, in all probability, find several friendly Powers of here who would aid her (especially were the assault to come from the Northern Colorsus), while Siam is utterly impotent and is not only useless for herself but is a danger to others, chiefly to England, who has vast political and commercial interests at stake in the country.

What has been done in Japan could have been accomplished in Siam long age, and, should prenobles who have, so to say, stunted the growth of their country. Siam should take a leaf out of Japan's book and learn of all nations in such a manner as to render herself independent and in purport. That the present King of Stam is solicitous for the welfare of his people, none who have investigated the affairs of his realm can doubt, but at the same time "putting the hand to the plough, and looking back" can be rendered in a political as well as biblical sense; and it is against the danger of turning back, becoming satisfied with half a cake instead of a whole one, that we would specially warn the the King, as also against taking, without a large pinch of salt, the advice, writings and flattery of interested parties-be they in the Government service, hirelings of vicious and corrupt nubles, indirectly in the service of the State, or outsiders with axes to grind.

It is unquestionable that Great Britain has no desire for territorial aggrandisement in the direction of Siam or any other part of the Indo-China Peninsula, and it goes equally without saying that we should not besitate to lend Siam a helplog handshould her autonomy be seriously threatened by France or any other Power, but this knowledge or belief should not continue to luil the Court of Bangkok into a sense of security which is scarcely justifiable in the premises. We have quite enough to look ofter in Burma and the Protected States without having to wet-nurse Siam, as the latter appear to think we should. "Man, mind thyself" is a motto for the King of Siam, and if he acts upon that he may be assured that should honest attempts to help himself fail and his kingdom be in jeopardy. that an appeal on his part to the treaty Powers will not be in vain, but that, on the contrary, the majority will freely favour him with the weight of their moral influence, while one or two of them will doubtless appeal to the arbitrament of arms; but this issue can only come about providing. Siam is not too late in seeing the error of her ways. A step in the right direction has already been taken by the King, who himself turned the sod of the first Siamese railway in July last and a few days ago allotted the contract to build his first State Railway to an English firm of railway contractors, for it is to the development of he resources and the amelioration thereby of the condition of the masses as well as to the increase of the army and the fitting out of a thoroughly formidable Navy, adequate for home defence, that His Majesty's thoughts should be constantly directed.

If, then, it is not too late, and the King and his Ministers bestir themselves in exmest and in a practical manner, bearing in mind the while that mercantile wealth and the prosperity of the people is the source of both the wealth and the glory ef all nations, there can be but one result-The freedom and elevation of the masses; perfect immunity from chastisement, conquest, or Christendom.

The next article will be devoted to an analysis of the system of Government, or rather misgovernment, in Slam, the true status of the King, and an expose of the manner in which some of the officials, otherwise traitors, succeed in making two ends meet. We shall then pass on to the commercial affairs of the Kingdom and bring our remarks to a conclusion with inter alla, an examination of the absolutely revolting condition of native society in the Land of White Elephanis.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL

The following telegrams from our San Francisco exchanges were "crowded out" of fast night's issue :---

LONDON, October 6th. Off Newburgh, Scotland, to-day a vessel was seen on fire. An explosion resulted and the wessel and crew blown to atoms, it is believed.

Rout, October 6th. Italy has decided to take no part in the

Chicago World's Fair.

ST PETERSBURG, October 6th. The newspapers denounce the conduct of merchants and members of the nobility for strong appeal to the Government to revoke the edict prohibiting the export of sye, and substitute therefor a heavy tax on the exportation of all

are to the effect that thousands of persons are Two of these stands were a placed at our oblige yere frind, th' sick mahn, an' it's the purty dying from starvation.

for alleviating the distress of the famishing | tion of the just Coconer a verdict of people. Most of the public officials announce | MURDERED BY THE ACTION OF THE BRITISH their intention to devote a certain percentage of their salaries to the same purpose; and the workmen have decided to give a proportion of will be returned.

Treasury and, what is more, the good-will of the at all the churches every feast day. The stream majority of the Treaty Powers who are, and ever of relief is coming in through wide channels, but the system of distribution, it is said, is very delective.

Herr Bebel, a prominent member of the Socialist party, delivered a speech to-day, is which be declared that Russia should be trampled to the ground at all costs. Everybody would contribute to the victory of the German flag and drive Russia out of Europe. Russia, he declared ought to be revolutionized, both externally and internally, in order to eliminate the perretual menace of war. Herr Bebel also declared that Poland should be made an independent state.

The gas-pipes at a Mark Graven strasse were out of order, and a number of workmen were sent to make repairs. The pipe leaked badly and by some carelessness a light was brought near the pipe, and a fearful explosion followed Six workmen who were near the pipe were instantly killed, and several persons in the neighborhood were hurt. The house was badly wrecked and set on fire, but the fire did no prove a serious one.

Chancellor you Caprivi has given orders that prosecutions he begun against the socialist work men for attacking him at a public meeting.

MADRID, October 6th. A hospital and fifteen houses were destroyed by fire to-day at Santander, twenty miles north

MA dispatch from Santander at midnight says. that the fire at the hospital has been quenched. but the flames are spreading elsewhere with alarming rapidity. Fourteen houses in the Calle Monte are already doomed.

VIENNA. October 6th.

It is reported that the heir to the crown of sent difficulties he smoothed over, can yet be Roumania has renounced the throne and insists effected if the King and his Ministers look upon marrying Mile. Vacaresco. The King has things holdly in the face and make a clean invited to the capital the youngest son of Leopold sweep from office and power ef all princes and of Hohenzollern, with the idea, it is supposed, of making him heir to the throne.

LIVERPOOL, October 6th. A terrific gale prevailed in the Irish sea last free of all fetters occasioned by compromising night. Three vessels were wrecked near Holysecret compacts, either effensive or defensive head. The crews were saved. The storm is increasing in violence, having reached the force of a huirleans. Its area is extending."

> HALIFAK (N. S.), October 6th. A special cablegram from Bermuda says: A tremendous wind and rain storm has been raging here for two days. All incoming steamers have experienced very rough weather. It took he mail steamer Duart Castle seven days to make the run from St. Thomas to Bermuda. The steamer ran short of coal and with difficulty reached port, having to burn the vessel's wood-

COPENHAGEN, October 6th. The Czar and Czarina, the King and Queen of Greece and other members of the imperial family of Russia and the royal family of Greece arrived here to-day.

BOSTON, October 6th.

Cable advices from Russia say that entire states are being descried on account of the famine. They also assert that a new law has been made forbidding the sowing of seed this fall, so that the acreage next year will not be sufficient for the home supply, still less for export. So great is the distress that the people have been driven to pillaging each other, first setting fire to villages, then robbing the inhabitants. By the united charities of the Government and people a biscuit a day allowed to every individual in the famine district. The distress is a greater menace to the Government than all the efforts of the nihilists. The famine may cause a revolution where love of liberty has falled. Aid is being sent in by Holland Jews and nikilist societies of America. The latter have sent \$53,000.

BRUSSELS, October 6th. It is estimated that 35,000 persons visited the Ixelles Cemetery yesterday to see the grave of Boulanger. A van load of flowers and wreaths, to be placed on the grave, arrived this morning from Paris.

LONDON, October 7th. The liabilities of Arthur Levy & Co., which

has been placed under a receiver, are \$600,000. The Paris correspondent of the Times telegraphs: A military convention between France and Russia has been existent for fifteen months. A further treaty of alliance is about to be signed. Its provisions will not be communicated to the chambers, but will remain a secret of the Ministry until such time as they think proper to disclose them.

ROME, October 7th. The Pope has instructed the Papal Nuncion abroad to present a Note to the Governments on the recent disorders in Rome on account of the offensive action of French pilgrims at the tomb annexation; and the respect and good-will of of King Victor Emmanuel. The Note will hold that these disorders are evidences of the insecurity of the Papal position.

> BERLIN, October 7th. The Bourse is depressed on rumors that Russia intends to prohibit the exportation of wheat after October 16th.

Many French people have taken advantage of the relaxation of the passport system and are flocking into Mets and Strasburg in great numbers. The detective and police forces in those cities have been doubled and all French are under strict esplonage.

NEW YORK, October 7th. It is reported here that yellow fever is raging at Gonzives and the small port towns in Hayti, and many ships' crews are down with the

IN AN OPIUM DEN AT YUNNAN

Mr. S. Pollard, of the Inland China Mission, writes to the Bunner of Asia from Yunnan Fu. on the progress of the opium plague in that part of the Chinese empire. On one occasion he after dark, as the result of "a bit of sharp work," | not even confide in my wife and lamily. I had on the shores of a lake, tired, hungry, and with to get them a distance away on a complicated Reports from the Baku district and elsewhere and several raised stands for the smokers. "To be coorse " (he said in reply to Bill) "I will districts. All classes of citizens here, following effects of our Indian policy. Death was written the example of the Crar, have resolved to plainly on the man's forehead, and misery over abandon all enterts inments during the winter all his surroundings. When he dies they will and contribute the money thus saved to a fund | hold an inquest in Heaven, and under the direc-

year the mother fled from the misery of the place and has not been found since. One of the boys was unwell, and there were no bed-clothes among the lot of them. All money was offered up at the shrine of the golden idol set up by the Indian Government. It distressed me sorely to see those two little boys there, waiting far into the night for the opium-smcking to finish. Then all of a heap they tried to sleep, but I could hear one of the boys crying and moaning OUTFITTERS. now and again. Oh, the misery this opium has brought to Chinal and it is too firmly entrenched now to be swept away except by mighty workings on the part of our God. We are hoping soon to see the Indian opium stopped. and then we must enter on another crusade to persuade England to make amends to China for the awful curse she has brought on this great land. Possibly this will be harder work than the stopping of the poppy growth in India:. Hard or not, we must never cease in our crusade till the whole world is entirely freed from the

"We are a band of us here constantly praying for success, and the God who loves China and India, and died for their peoples, will surely give what we ask for. Once let the Christian Church see what a blight opium brings, and it, will with righteous indignation sweep it away and all that support it."

opium slavery.

THE PACIFIC "SLOPE" OR THE MISSING BANK MANAGER.

[FOR THE Sydney Bulletin.]

The most necessary qualification for a successful bank official, in these business times, is a thorough comprehension of the twin arts of "lying low" and "levanting." At the first blush it would appear that the would-be levanter has no chance-or, at least, a very slender chanceof exceping from this island continent, seeing that he is watched at every port, and on every autward-bound vestel, by an army of heavenborn detectives and lynx-eyed and inspired police, who are clairvoyants at seeing, and transe-mediums at Interpreting " a clue." Think of the complex organisation arrayed against the solitery, and often unaided, attempting absconder! His description is recorded at every police-station in every province, but as the description is invariably as unlike the "wanted" as human blundering can make it, perhi ps that doesn't matter much; though, on the other hand, as the average bobby always reads the description upside down and inside out, perhaps it does matter after all. His photograph is largely cliquilated amongst the scaport efficials, but, as he generally alters his facial appearance, this also las to be discounted. The free and urgent use of the telegraph wires is available to the whole body of thicf-catchers, and anything except a balloon can be stopped anywhere en route " on suspicion. 12 It is owing to the completeness of pol ce organisation that the occasional captures, in lemon-juice. I lay drying in the sun on which the public are taught by the press to regard as " sensationally smart, " are made, but these are nothing more than the ordinary sequences of the driest routine work. The police offi-fal-the "D" or the common constablea'waya moves in fixed groaves. His "information rec- ived " is the result of the treachery of "fizgigs" or criminal traitors in his pay-often a less up at the new Pambula diggings where I got off near whom he could arrest if he chose, but whose peccadilloes he ignores in consideration of his "peaching" services; still more frequently, a lady of shadowy repute who has, as her temporary husband, a criminal, or an associate of criminals. Once get outside of police routine and the whole service is at fault. A "wanted"

who knows the official methods needs only money and cool assurance to circumvent them. I could tell some other time, if The Bulletin | Zeehan silver-mines-by a small steamer, and thinks fit, a strange, weird yarn of a successful | the rest was easy-an unsuspected and onen "lying low" and a subsequent clean "levanting," | voyage to this joyous island, where everybody is the peculiar feature of which was that the either a happy nigger or an absornder. I send wanted" was taken aboard an outward-bound you these particulars in case, dear boy, you may reasel in a police-boat, and by the very police- ever need to skedaddle suddenly. Enclosed are officer who held the warrant for his arrest, and ten £20 notes that I omitted to change into gold who was going to search that vessel for him. I | before I left ; they are of no use to me here. could—and may possibly—tell another arecdote | Their numbers are not known to the bank. Good about another wanted, who hid for many weeks, | bye .- Yours at rest, Bill Bolt." and who fed and "grogged" sumptuously every. I forward this letter for publication, for the day in a government building, und t the very | benefit of any Bulletin readers who may need noses of the police of a large city; but the poor to "slide" surreptitiously. Also, to give the devil got so sick of his retirement that he at police a hint, -Yours, &c., The Diosomaniae, last gave himself up and faced the resultant

I have been led to think of these things from the receipt of a letter from a former friend of mine, who went wrong and is at present at Honolulu for the benefit of his health. The letter of this--I am sorry to say-unrepentant man shall speak for itself :-

Honolulu, Sunday, ooth, X-, 1891. "My dear-. You will see by the above beading that I am in safety enjoying the fruits of my big coup. I am satisfied thank you. I have gained the ambition of my life. When I look back at my chances, as some one said once (was it Clive or Warren Hastings I). I am astonished at my own moderation. It was a work of years. was a pious little messenger-boy, and very lucky on race horses. I was a steady and a careful book-keeper, with the devil's own fortune at fan-tan. I made a splendid confidential clerk and learned some, "points" from the directors. who insisted on explaining to me the weaknesses in the existing bank laws. They didn't want those laws meddled with, bowever, because though there were many holes by which the bank fell through, there were still more holes which let the customers through, and a general repair would have left the institution in the lurch, When I was promoted to be manager of a branch I knew that my chance had come. did the confidence trick in the old, old way-the at II a.m. Sunday-school racket and the church-choir enthusiasm. I needn't put you up to my methods of "general scoop." Should you ever get a billet in a bank, though, I'll send you out the fullest rules and regulations to guide you on your royal progress to wealth.

"How did I get away? As simply as taking a train. I trusted no one except Bill Rogers. frusted him because he would have been comand his travelling companions found themselves, promised himself if I had been cotched. I did no inn to stay in :- "We had to retrace our yarn that wouldn't interest you; it was very ATTACHED TO EOTHEN LODGE OF steps to a small market, and here for a easily invented. Bill and I soon came to the the poor peasants are starving. They make a long time we could find no place to lay, our conclusion that the safest way to "lie low" until heads. At last a man who knew us, at my the "hue and cry" was a bit shated, was as an entreatics, went to seek out a shelter. The only invalid in the house of a policeman in a marine place he could find was an oplum den—a small, suburb. Bill knew of just such a party—a thickone-roomed house, dark and dirty. In one headed, good natured frishman, described in the corner was a hig coffin. There were two tables evening papers as a "very intelligent efficer." disposal, and we did our best to get some sleep, shoure room Oi have, an' Molly's the kindest It is announced that the officers of the but our best was not very successful. The craythur that iver drew the breath av loife." Imperial . Guard have decided not to dilak landlord was a man of about forty, and the look. And so I lay for many days in the calm seciuchampagne at any regimental banquet, and to on his face was awful, a glare in his eyes, an sion of the official bosom, shamming sick, contribute money which would have been so unearthly pinch of the cheeks, and his whole being visited almost daily by the local doctor, Hotels, opposite the Hongkong Club, and at spent to the peasants of the famine-stricken demeanour spoke elequently of the beneficent and letting my beard grow (I only had a Pedder's Wharf, Every Everino from 5.30 to moustache before) and only going out on dark 7.30 o'clock. nights for brief exercise. The weeks sped on, and as my whiskers began to form a natural framework of disguise around my features, I thought it was time to make the next move. So I gradually recovered—to some extent—and one blasing morning I bade the policeman and his wife n sad and tender farewell, and departed any English newspaper published in the Far feebly with a view to completing my recovery in East. THIS IS GUARANTERD. Terms on their humble wages ; even the children will offer WHaddled up on the stand where the landlord | the mountains, Then I made for the longlication. their little savings. Collections are being taken | was at his epists, were his two little boys. Last | place on the adjacent searchors, and having |. Hongkong, 14th October, 1841.

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Hongkong, 24th October, 1801.

bathed my face and hands, neck and forearms? the glittering sand. The transformation was worderful. In two hours I was like a halfbaked nigger. I lay low in my new capacity all day in the bush, and that evening Bill Rogers fetched along a rough suit of clothes, a swag and a billy, and a soft felt hat. I started on the wallaby, taking the south-east coast. I turned work on a claim for a time—navvy work. I soon sickened of the eternal pick and shovel, but it was necessary as part of my safe plan. After a few weeks on Pambula I went on to the scaport of Eden, in company with other returning prospectors. I was only among a dozen bronzed diggers (the lemon-juice trick had been repeated several times), and I caused no suspicion. I got away to Hobart-pretendedly en reuts for the

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DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY. LIMITED.

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General Managers. Hongkong, 6th November, 1885.

"ARARAT" LODGE OF ROYAL ARK MARINERS.

MARK MASTERS, No. 264, E.C.

REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Hongkong, 6th November, 1891.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" be on sale at the Hongkong and Victoria

PRICETEN CENTS. Copies ordered from the Office will be charged the usual rate-25 cents.

Advertisers are reminded that the Hongkong Telegraph has by far the largest circulation of Auctions.

AUCTION OF VALUABLE BOOKS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW. the 7th day of November, 1891, at 2.30 p.m.,

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1801,

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TN anticipation of the forthcoming BALL the practices of Reels and the Caledonian Quadrilles will be held in the St. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL, at 5.30 p.m., on FRIDAY, the 13th and on FRIDAY, the 20th inst. J. H. STEWART-LOCKHART, Hon. Secretary.

St. Andrew's Society. Hongkong, 5th November, 1891.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SPOON COMPETITION will take place

TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at 2.45 p.m. Ranges 200, 500 and 600 yards. It is possible that a Cup will also be shot for. ED. ROBINSON, Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1801. A, S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

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BOARD AND LODGING. TITACANCIES : for GENTLEMEN

V. BOARDERS, at 79, Wyndham Street. Apply to Mas. SWANSTON.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1801.

Intimations.

NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED NOTICE.

TS hereby given that INTEREST will be L. charged on all CALLS due on Shares c the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED, as and from the 16th instant, in accordance with the Articles of Association.

> A. B. MCKEAN, Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1801.

LIMITED, ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE

YEAR 1800.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

CHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to send in to this Office a List of their Contributions of Premia for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of Profit for that year to be paid as Bonus to Contributors may be arranged. Returns not sent in before the 30th instant will be made up by the

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Hongkong, 27th July, 1801.

REWARD of \$500 will be paid to any person supplying information that will lead to the discovery and identification of a Chinese girl named LI AFAT, who, in or about the month of September, 1888, was resident at St. Francis Street, Wanchal, in the house of JOHN MINHINNETT, an overseer in the Hongkong Public Works Department, under the protection of a Chinese kept woman named WONG AH

LI AFAT is about 10 years of age, and according to a declaration made by WONG AH NGAN at the Magistracy, she was returned to her mother about three years ago-presumably to some village in the Kwangtung Province, where it is stated she died a short time after-

On the other hand JOHN MINHINNETT deposed on oath in the Supreme Court that LI AFAT was sold by WONG AH NGAN and that he was present in his own house when the purchase money was paid; and it has since been reported that the girl was taken to Singapore for

immoral purposes. A Reward of \$250 will be paid to any person who shall produce reliable evidence, showing that LI AFAT was returned to her mother, in or about September, 1888, and afterwards died as

THE EDITOR, The Honghong Telegraph. Hongkong, 20th August, 1801.

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Hongkong, 19th June, 1888.

NOTICE.

TROM the 1st of November next, the SHANGHAI BUTCHERY will be prepared to supply BRAWN, LARD in BLADDERS, Fresh and Pickled ENGLISH PORK, SAUSAGES,

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Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

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The National Bank of China, Ld.-Founders' shares, \$235 per share, buyers. The Benk of Chins, Japan & the Straits, Ld .-

\$13} per share, sellers. The Rank of Chins, Japan & the Straits Ld .-Founders' shares, £135 per share, sollers.

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Union Insurance Society of Canton-\$91 per share, nominal.

China Traders' Insurance Company-\$61 per share, sellers.

North China Insurance—Tis. 255 per share, Canton Insurance Company, Limited-\$105 per

share, buyers. Yangtere Insurance Association-\$95, buyers

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share, buyers. China Fire Insurance Company-\$87 per share,

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.-\$35 per share, sellers. China and Manila Steam Ship Company-52

per share, sellers. Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited -274 per cent, discount, sellers.

Douglas Steamship Company-\$37 per share, sellers. The Steam Launch Co., Limited -nominal,

Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company-\$74 per cent. premium, sales and buyers. Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited-\$15 per share,

Hongkong Hotel Company-\$60 per share, Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per-cent. Debentures

The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited-Sto per share, sellers.

The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited-\$3 per share, seilers. The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited-\$10, sellers.

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share, sellers. Imuris Mining Co., Limited-\$92 per share,

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The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited-\$5 per share, sellers. The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited-40 cents

per share, sellers. London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ld. -£12,

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$177 per share, buyers. Luson Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$58 per share, buyers.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited-\$19? per share, Cruickshank & Co., Limited-nominal.

Hongkong Dalry Farm Co., Limited-\$7 per share, sellers. The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited-

\$12 per share, sellers." The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited-\$75 per share, sales and buyers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Limited-\$26 per share, sellers. The Labuk Planting Co., Limited-\$9 per

The China-Borneo Co., Limited—\$10 per share,

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited-\$44 per share,

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown

Company-\$66 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited-\$99 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share,

.... Hongkong Ice Company-\$82 per share, sellers. Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited

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The Green Island Cement Co.—\$14 per share

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$41 per share, buyers.

The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited-\$25 per share; nominal.

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Per China, str., for Yokohama,-387 bags sugar, and 313 packages merchandisc. For San Francisco 4.756 bage rice, 2,063 bage sugar, 110 bags beans, 474 bags coffee, 674 boxes aut oil, 97 boxes prepared oplum, 29 boxes allks, 11. 300 flasks quicksilver, 653 packages gambier, 1,057 packages wet dates, 2,651 packages tea, and 10,114 packages merchandise. For HonoMAILS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Resetts: With the next English mail, left Singapore, on the 300 instant, and may be expected here on the \$th. THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer Salasis, with the next French mail of and ult. left Salgon on the afternoon of the 4th instant at 2 p.m., and may be expected to morrow,

THE INDIAN MAIL. The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer Whiteon the 4th instant at 3 p.m., and in deep here on the 10th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL'S The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer Empress of India left Vancouver on the 1th ultime for Japan, Shanghai and Hongkong.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The "Ben line steamer Benjarig, in Antwerp and London, left Singspore on the and instant, and is due here on the oth

The 'Glen! line steamer Glengarry, from London, left Singapore on the 2nd instant, and s due here on the oth. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Vinitia left Bombay on the 28th ultimo, and may be expected here on the 14th instant. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Bouley

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longkong Observatory, 6th November, 1891.

ARRIVALS. DORA FORSTER, Norwegian steamer, 1,570, D. Moryon, 6th Nov.,-Kutchinotsu ist Nov. Coals.—Mitsul Bussan Kaishia. FOOKSANO, British steamer, 991, Spencer Wilde,

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Wieler & Co. TAIPHONG, British steamer, 1,122, H. C. A. Harris, 6th Nov.,-Foothow 3rd Nov., Amoy 4th, and Swatow 5th, General. Douglas Lapraik & Co.

SWATOW, German steamer, 631, C. Binge, 6th Nov.,-Newchwang 30th October, Beans,-Melchers & Co.

FIDELIO, German steamer, 853, H. Brorsen, &h Nov.,-Newchwang 31st October, General. -Melchers & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE. Achilles. British steamer, for Singapore, &c. Canton, British steamer, for Shanghal. Nanshun, British steamer, for Swatow. Marie, German steamer, for Newchwang.

DEPARTURES. November 5, Declma, German steamer, November of Nancy Pandlaton, American ship, for New York: :

November 6, Posksang, British str., for Canton November 6, Presto, German steamer, for Hol-November 6, Riversdale, British steamer, for November 6, Lancelot, British str., for Cebu. November 6, Triumph, German steamer, for

November 6, Nanskan, British steamer, November 6, Tai-ywan, British steamer, for Shanghal

November 6, Achilles, British str., for Singa November 6, Thibes, British steamer, for Singa-November 6, Fooksang; British str., for Canton. November 6, Canton, British str., for Shanghal. November 6, Kevangled; Ehinese estelution, for

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Holm and 2 children, Rev. P. E. Baaches, Mesers. Choy Kon-Ling, Choy Chun Hing, and Per Achilles, str., for Singapore, &cc .-- 148

Per Nanshan, str., for Swatew,-roo Chinege, Per Canton, str., for Swatow,--- 25 Chinese.

The British steamship Halphong, reports that she left Foochow on the 3rd instant. Had light Inla - 11 packages facrchandise. For Acajutla. north-east to north-west winds and fine clear, -3 cases silks. For La Libertad -4 cases weather to Amoy. Left Amoy on the 4th, Had citalist For Panama - 5 cases allies, 64 bags rice, fresh north-east breeze and rain to Lammock "sad'287 packages merchandisti For Gdaysquil. Islands; thence to Swatow had strong porth--1 cases silks, and 45 packages merchandise. cast breeze and cloudy weather, Left System Orleans.—138 packages marchandise. For New On the 5th. Had moderate east-north-last breeze and fine clear weather to post. In Foos,464 packages tes, 13 packages in hitting, 84 Namoa, Trone, and Handow. In http://www. White Cloud, British steamer, \$27, A. Crnicks packages merchandise, a cases silks, and s13 steaments Formers. In Swaton the observables shark.—Hongkonge Canton, and Macao Bingan, Tongshan, and Doner. Bingan, Tengshan, and Denar.

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